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#### TENNESSEE LOSING OUT INWHEAT PRODUCTION

Acreage for 1920 Is Smallest in Decade, According to Reports.

to Reports.

(BY JOHN D. ERWIN.)

Washington, May 13.—Tennessee is fast losing out as a wheat state.

The bureau of crop estimates has submitted a report received from its field sgent, G. L. Morris, of Robertson county, which indicates that the acreage to be harvested this year is the smallest since the early seventies, with the lowest condition on record for many years. These conditions were brought about, Mr. Morris reports, by a very unfavorable fall for sowing. The isteness of much of the crop, with the winter's freezes, and absence of snow covering, caused a great deal of heaving and heavy abandonment in many parts of the state, until the acreage to be harvested this year is only 42 per cent. of last year. From present indications, the wheat crop of the state will only allow about one and one-half bushels for each of its inhabitants. The same conditions that affected the acreage of rye and grain. This crop, being more hardy, is in better condition than wheat.

It seems there will be a slight decrease in the acreage of hay. There is some increase in clover, and grasses remain about the same. The decrease will result from a falling off in cowpea and say bean production. The cold, wet, late spring has put farmers behind in

their work so that there will be a cur-tailment of many crops. The acute la-bor shortage on farms is felt in all parts of the state.

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There is the smallest amount of spring work done on farms of the state in many years, only 88 per cent. of plowing and 49 per cent. of planting being done by May 1. There has been a considerable amount of corn planted in the eastern part of the state, but little in the middle and western. A fair crop of oats was sown, but in most cases late. Only a small part of the cotton crop is planted. Gardens are late, and many not yet planted. Pastures, though late, are in fair condition. So per cent. of normal.

The mortality among livestock for the past year has been rather heavy. There has been more than the usual amount of disease among all kinds of livestock. Much of this is attributable to damaged and inferior feed. Considerable cholera among swine in many places; dogs, disease and cold, wet weather among sheep and lambs; foot and mouth trouble among cattle. Quite a number of horses and cattle have been lost in the West Tehnessee bottoms from ravages of the buffalo gnat. The condition of all livestock is low, for want of proper feed.

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# **EVERYBODY IS**

Merchants of Large Cities Follow in Wake of Wanamaker and Slash Prices.

CHATTANOOGA IN LINE

Chicago, May 19.—Price stashing on many articles of clothing was reported from numerous cities throughout the country today. Reductions from 15 to 25 per cent.

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Reductions from 15 to 25 per cent. were reported on suits, shoes and a number of slik articles. The chief reasons for the price cutting were said by the merchants to be "tight money" and poor transportation, the former being a result of the latter in the case of farmers unable to dispose of live stock and grain because of the car shortage. Chicago, however, proved to be an exception to the price slashing wave. Leading merchants here announced that there would be no drop in the price of clothing for the time being.

"Prices for some time have ceen lower in Chicago than in other cities, declared one leading merchant. "If any stores here cut their prices appreciably, it will indicate either that they have been profiteering or that they have been profiteering or that they are selling at a loss."

Epidemic Spreads.

San Francisco, May 19.—An epidemic of price cutting was in vogue in San Francisco stores today. Several leading stores announced fist price reductions of 20 per cent. on their entire stocks. Shoe sales at discounts of from 16 to 40 per cent, were announced. Slik Goods Down.

Fresno, Cal., May 19.—General reductions on slik goods of 20 to 25 per cent. were announced by retailers in advertisements published today.

Ciothing Cut.

Cheyenne, Wyo., May 19.—Reduction of 15 per cent. on the prices of all dry goods and clothing, effective today, was announced by one merchant here.

No Cut in Detroit.

Detroit, Mich., May 19.—No manifestation of a cut in prices for either clothing or foodstuffs is in evidence here. The trend of food prices on the other hand is upward, due to the freight congestion.

Few Reduce Prices.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 19.—A few of the leading stores have announced 20 per cent reductions in clothing, but here has been no general slashing of prices in Pittsburgh. Outside of some cuts of meats, the foodstuffs have been steadily advancing.

Beston Slashes.

Boston, May 19.—A widespread campaign of prices i

demand.

Slow to Follow.

Washington, May 19.—The national capital has been slow to respond to any general movement for price reductions, despite attacks in congress on profiteering. A few of the larger merchants have held their price sales earlier than usual, and some of the clothing merchants have been forced to

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#### PRICE CUTTING IS NOW NATIONWIDE

(International News Service.)
A spontaneous and apparently unorganized slashing of retail prices is under way today in most of the principal cities of the country, according to reports gathered by the International News Service.

The cut price movement is no-ticeable in nearly every line of mercantile business, and is par-ticularly marked in the clothing and dry goods business. Twenty-five per cent, is the average re-duction, although in some in-stances it runs as high as 50 per cent.

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Suits of men's clothing which a month are were selling for \$50, \$55 and \$75 are now procurable in many leading stores over the country for \$40 and \$50. Values of silk goods have also shrunk considerably.

Food prices, while slower to come down, range generally lower today than in weeks. In Chicago, the prices are consideraly lower and there has been a general decline in prices for all classes of grain. Wheat sold from 2 to 4 cents lower and rye was off from 5 to 7 cents. The decline in grain prices is not yet noticeable in the flour and bread trade, but dealers declared today lower prices in these commodies were bound to come within a week.

Reports from all cities indicate that the general price slashing is accompanied by a heavy advertising campaign in the newspapers.

Various reasons are assigned for the movement among which are congested conditions of the rail-roads and a tightening of credit all along the line. Merchants having large stocks are desirous of getting more assets, and the quickest method of doing this is decreasing stock via the sales route.

reduce prices in order to secure extended crdit. The price of bread has just been raised from \$ to 10 cents a loaf, and other food commodities are striving to hold the level reached during the railroad strikes several weeks ago. Ordinary straw hats which formerly sold for \$3 are retailing form \$7.50 to \$10.

Indianapolis. Ind. May 19.—"Below cost" and "at cost" sales are in vogue in Indianapolis today. Clothing is the chief item of price cutting, but leading department stores have extended the sales to other merchandise. Shoe prices are still high. Twenty per cent is about the average reduction. Fear of being "caught" with heavy stocks and the fact that banks are calling in loans, are said to be explanations of the general "unloading."

Montgomery, Ala., May 19.—Mer-

"unloading."

Montgomery. Ala., May 19.—Merchants here have put certain items of their stock on sale at reduced prices, owing to the regular summer sales and recent changes of fashions.

Reductions of 50 per cent, have been made in millinery, but these reductions are not considered "price slashing" as summer sales are conducted at this time every year, to dispose of left ever stocks.

No reduction in the price of foodstuffs has been noted.

Bargain Sajes.

Bargain Sajes. Mobile, Ala.. May 19.—"Bargain sales" and "why wear overalls" indicates a general slump in the price of clothing in Mobile which is said to average about 25 per cent. reduction, especially in men's wear. Very little decrease in the price of shoes is noted, however, and the price of foodstuffs is still soaring with the exception of frem vegetables which are considered rather cheap.

Not Reached Syracuse.

Not Reached Syracuse. Syracuse, N. Y., May 19.—The slashing of prices has not reached this city. With the exception of here and there a seasonal sale, where a small percentage of reductions is offered, high prices continue here. Sugar is retailing at 26 cents a pound.

cents a pound.

Old Philly Cuts.

Philladelphia, May 19.—Prices of clothes, shoes and general merchandise are being reduced by all leading merchants of Philladelphia, the cuts ranging from 20 to 25 per cent. Newspapers of the city are carrying full pages of display advertising daily, this policy being in marked contrast with routine advertising by the same merchants a month ago.

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Special Sales.

Kansas City. Mo., May 19.—The pricecutting fever has gripped Kansas City.
Signs announcing "special sales," with
a cut of from 15 to 25 per cent, in
prices were prominently displayed in
windows of many leading shoe and
clothing stores here today.

No Reduction in Cleveland.

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Cleveland, O., May 19.—Price reductions in clothing and foodstuffs reported from some parts of the country are not evident here. Quite to the contrary, hotel and restaurant owners declare that since the transportation congestion owing to the rail strike, prices in foodstuffs have made a general increase of approximately 15 percent.

Seasonal Sales.

Denver, Colo., May 19.—While many department stores are conducting "seasonal" sales, with price reductions advertising 25 per cent. for clothing and other merchandise, there is no general price-slashing movement in Penver or

several days.

Reductions in New Orleans.

New Orleans, May 19.—The retail merchants' bureau of the Association of Commerce, in a formal statement today, declared no reduction sales were being planned by local merchants because "profits of local dealers are not such as to warrant reductions."

#### CENTRAL OF GEORGIA **CLERKS OUT ON STRIKE**

Union Members Quit in Half-Dozen Towns for More Pay. Freight Hampered.

Atlanta, Ga., May 13.—Union clerks in the freight offices of the Central of Georgia Railway company were out today in half a dozen cities and towns in Georgia to enforce demands for a new contract and more pay.

Members of the union quit in Atlanta, Macon, Savannah, Columbus, Americus and Fort Valley yesterday, those at Griffin already having gone out. Their enders asserted officials of the road had refused a conference demanded by the men May 14. Railroad officials declared the question of wages was before the federal railroad labor board in Chicago.

Receiving of freight was badly hampered at the start of the walk-out, but later officials claimed to be handling it in fair shape in most places and said they expected to get back almost to normal before tonight. About 350 men in all were out, according to press dispatches, which said that in some towns a few other employes had walked out with the clerks.

#### GONZALES MAY BECOME PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT

Such Conclusion Drawn in View of His Withdrawal From Election Contest.

City of Mexico, May 19.—In view of his withdrawal from the presidential contest, it was reported today that Gen. Pablo Gonzales might be appointed provisional president by congress to serve until the election is held.

Senator Alfonso Cravicto, who brought news from Venustiano Carranso that he is willing to resign as president, has introduced a motion in the senate asking that body to appoint a committee to wait on the fugitive in his mountain retreat and secure his formal resignation. At last reports Carransa was somewhere in the Sierra Madre mountains, between Perote and Teziutian, in the state of Vera Cruz.

Revolutionary cavairy is still reported to be in pursuit of the fugitive, All of the Carranzistas taken prisoner in the battles at San Marcos and Rinconada have been set free upon orders from Gen. Alvaro Obregon and Gen. Gonzales.

British Consul Body, of Vera Cruz, who was reported missing after he departed from Mexico City with Carranza and Ygnacio Bonillas, is now said to be safe and on his way to this city.

### FRAMING OF PLATFORM

Indianapolis, Ind., May 19.—Nomination of a state ticket, selection of delegates to the national convention at San Francisco and framing of a state platform for the party are the principal objects before the democratic state convention which opens tonight with district meetings.

President Wilson's administration will be indorsed in strongest terms, leaders declare, and the treaty of Versailles as upheld by the president will be approved.

Harmony is expected to rule from start to Snish. No opposition is expected to develop to the naming of Vice-President Marshall, former United States Senator Thomas Taggart, of French Lick; former Gov. Samuel M. Ralston and Mrs. Alice Foster McCuiloch, of Fort Wayne, chairman of the woman's state executive committee, on the "big four."

#### **NEGRO WILL HANG UNLESS** GOV. RUSSELL INTERVENES

Meridian, Miss., May 12.—Unless an order is received from Gov. Russell postponing the execution. Beaman Hoatwright, negro, convicted last April of the murder of Constable Ben Culpepper, will be hanged here today.

An application has been made to the governor for a stay of execution, pending an appeal for the federal court. The hanging is to take place between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Authorities will wait until the last moment in order to learn the governor's decision.

#### QUARTER MILLION SEEK PASSPORTS TO AMERICA

Warsaw, 'May 19.—Arrangements have been completed for the transportation of 2,000 persons weekly from Poland to the United States by the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid society, of America, which recently opened offices in Warsaw. The Polish authorities estimate that a quarter of a million persons already have applied for passports, about 95 per cent, of these being women and children, dependents of persons now in America. The first shipload of 800 emigrants left Danzig two weeks ago. The Polish government is assisting the society.

#### BOILERMAKERS STRIKE FOR HIGHER WAGES

New Orleans, La.; May 13.—To enforce demand for higher wages 3,000 hollermakers, bollermakers' helpers, machinists, machinists' helpers, mould-ra, foundry men and ship carpenters truck late Tuesday afternoon, thereby throwing 7,000 men of the allied metal raste out of employment in this city.

The striking metal workers demand 11 an hour for all journeymen, 75 cents in hour for all leipers. The scale has been 80 cents per hour and 54 cents per hour for helpers.

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calomel will straighten out a disor-dered liver.

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bulk. Ask for the original, scaled in bulk. Ask for the original, scaled package. Price thisty-five cents. If you are not thore this delighted your drugglat is authorized to refund your money.—(Adv.)

#### THREE WHITE BISHOPS ELECTED BY CONFERENCE

Twelve White and Two Negro Bishops Comprise List of High Church Officials,

Des Moines, Ia., May 19.—Rev. Dr.
Charles L. Mead, pastor of Trinity
Methodist church. Denver, Colo., was
elected a bishop on the ninth ballot in
the general conference today. Dr.
Mead received 332 votes, which completes the election of the twelve white
bishops. The conference proceded at
once to the election of the two negro
bishops. Dr. Mead was born in Vienna,
N. J., in 1868. He is a graduate of the
New York university and has been a
pastor at Rutherford, N. J., Holden,
N. J., First church, Baltimore, Md.,

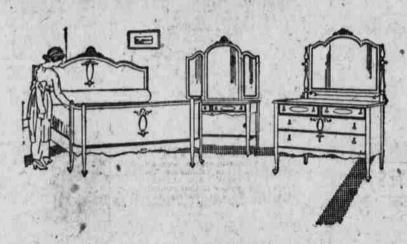
Des Moines, Ia. May 19.—Drs. P. T. Keeney, Syracuse, N. Y., and H. Lester Smith, Detroit, were elected bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church on the ballot taken late yesterday, it was announced today at the general conference.

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